

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Appln. of: ING-JING HUANG

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International Appln. No: PCT/US97/09742

Attn: OFFICE OF PETITIONS

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Entitled: AIR CUSHION

Attorney's File Ref.: P60998US0

**PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR  
PATENT ABANDONED UNINTENTIONALLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b)**

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The above-identified application PCT/US97/09742 which designated the United States is abandoned for failure to perfect the filing in the United States. The priority of this PCT application is the date it was filed in the U.S. Receiving Office, namely June 4, 1997 and therefore the application should have been perfected in the United States within 30 months, namely by December 4, 1999.

A Petition Fee in the amount of \$1,240 under 37 CFR 1.137(m) is attached hereto. Should this amount prove insufficient or the check become detached authorization is given to charge undersigned counsel's deposit account 06-1358.

A proper reply for perfecting a PCT application in the United States is attached in a form of a nationalization of the PCT Application containing 12 pages of specifications, 45 claims, 9 sheets of drawings and the Cover Letter.

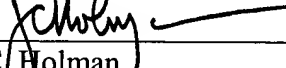
The terminal disclaimer is not necessary since the filing date of this application is after June 8, 1995.

The entire delay in filing the attached documents to perfect the PCT Application in the United States from the due date until the filing of a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional. This is an unusual situation where the first application was filed as a PCT application in the United States with the joint applicants being the foreign inventor and an American corporation which is no longer an applicant. The sole remaining applicant, namely inventor Huang, is Taiwanese and lives in Nantou City, Taiwan. Mr. Huang desired the PCT application to be perfected in the United States as well a number of other countries foreign to the United States, but through inadvertent error it was not filed in the United States but rather only filed in various countries foreign thereto. Mr. Huang, for the first time since the due date for perfecting this application, visited Washington, D.C. and in discussions with undersigned counsel it became apparent that unintentionally the PCT application was never perfected in the United States. Upon this realization counsel immediately prepared and filed this Petition and had inventor Huang sign the Patent Declaration attached to the nationalized PCT papers attached to this Petition.

Early indication that this Petition has been granted and the nationalized PCT application which was unintentionally not filed in the United States is given a filing date is courteously awaited.

Respectfully submitted,

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Order Letter and papers necessary for nationalizing a PCT Continuation application.